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UDOT I-15 CORE to Implement Two New Southbound Lane Splits in Utah County

WHAT: Construction teams on UDOT's Utah County I-15 Corridor Expansion (I-15 CORE) are scheduled to split the four existing southbound interstate lanes into two sections of two lanes each between Lindon 200 South and the University Parkway interchange as early as Thursday, Oct. 13, for up to 60 days. Crews will be paving between the lanes in the area.

Southbound lanes on I-15 will also split between American Fork 500 East and Pleasant Grove Boulevard for up to 10 days beginning today for concrete paving. This lane split will be slightly different, with the far left lane splitting from the three right lanes. With both splits, drivers that need to exit the freeway should stay in the right lanes.

The I-15 CORE project will add two additional concrete-paved lanes both northbound and southbound on I-15 from Lehi to Spanish Fork. The 24-mile project is on schedule for completion in December 2012.

WHEN: American Fork lane split: beginning today. Orem lane split: beginning as early as Thursday, Oct. 13

WHERE: Southbound I-15 between Lindon 200 South and the University Parkway interchange (Orem lane split); Southbound I-15 between American Fork 500 East and Pleasant Grove Boulevard (American Fork lane split)

VISUALS: Lane split graphic (attached); Animation of Orem lane split available at <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RuwrFIXKg5Q>

Drivers are reminded to stay in the right lanes when approaching the lane splits if exiting in American Fork or Orem. Trucks are permitted in all four lanes through the splits.

For more information about the 500 East interchange closures or the I-15 CORE project, visit udot.utah.gov/i15core. The 24-mile I-15 CORE freeway reconstruction project is on schedule for completion in December 2012. Drivers can stay informed by signing up for weekly email updates at www.udot.utah.gov/i15core, following the project on www.facebook.com/i15core and www.twitter.com/i15core and receiving text updates by texting "i15" to 53535.

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Construction activities and dates are subject to change. Dates are weather-permitting and could change with short notice. Please check the I-15 CORE website (www.udot.utah.gov/i15core) or the project's Twitter feed (www.twitter.com/i15core) for the latest information.